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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/02/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 12/02/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/02/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 12/02/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 03/02/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 12/02/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/02/2005
- Substitute Specification filed on 12/02/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 12/02/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

• \$65 Surcharge.

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